

MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Government Code § 54954 that the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority will hold a regular meeting on October 27, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the Temescal Canyon Conference and Retreat Center, Stewart Hall, 15601 Sunset Boulevard, Pacific Palisades, California.

AGENDA

- I. Call to order.
- II. Roll call.
- III. Public testimony on all agenda items and public comment on matters not on the agenda. **(This item will be consolidated with the public testimony at the concurrent Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy meeting.)**
- IV. Consent Calendar:
 - (a) Consideration of resolution accepting the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority warrant disbursements for November 2003.
 - (b) Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of approximately 2.77 acres (APN 2274-018-013) along Camino de la Cumbre, using funds from the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District No. 1, Sherman Oaks, and authorizing advance of funds for an acquisition deposit.
 - (c) Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of approximately a 10 acre portion of APN 5561-003-013, Thrasher Avenue, using funds from the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District No. 1, Los Angeles.
 - (d) Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of approximately 1 acre, Cerillos Drive property (APNs 2170-001-029, 030, 031), using funds from the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District No. 2, Woodland Hills.
 - (e) Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of approximately 2.3 acres, Coldwater Canyon Lane property (APN 2385-023-014), using funds from the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District No. 1, Los Angeles.
 - (f) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of private and public funds to extend existing land contracts for pending acquisitions within Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District Nos. 1 and 2.

- (g) Consideration of resolution authorizing application for United States Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Grants.
 - (h) Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with Stuart M. Ketchum Downtown YMCA, a tax exempt nonprofit organization, for the operation and management of the proposed soccer facility at Vista Hermosa Park, Los Angeles.
 - (i) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for project planning and design services for the Vista Hermosa Park Project, Los Angeles.
 - (j) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of the following offers-to-dedicate trail easements: Watts / P-5-82-219 located on Zumirez Drive, east of Kanan, north of Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu; Anyon / P-5-82-279 located on Winding Way, north of Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, and McCarty & Frankel / P-5-82-359 located north of Latigo Canyon Road, east of Kanan Road, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
 - (k) Consideration of resolution authorizing the sale of a 0.63 acre parcel (APN 4452-018-903) in lower Malibu Canyon in the Serra Retreat area to an adjacent homeowner, such sale being subject to a conservation easement and other conditions, Malibu.
 - (l) Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the California Coastal Commission and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy regarding the administration of the Coastal Habitat Impact Mitigation Fund, Los Angeles County.
 - (m) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for implementation of the *San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan* pursuant to Section 79508 of the Water Code, by development of an integrated regional water management program in the Upper Los Angeles River watershed.
 - (n) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to establish a matching grant program to develop a Watershed Education and Visitor Center on Laskey Mesa as defined in the adopted Ahmanson Ranch Project Plan.
- V. Consideration of resolution authorizing participation in the Cal Card purchasing program.

- VI. Consideration of resolution authorizing an augmentation to the contract with Shilts Consultants for services related to the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation District Nos. 1 and 2, Los Angeles.
- VII. Consideration of resolution amending the agreement with the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy.
- VIII. Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant from the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission and authorizing entering into an agreement for personnel services.
- IX. Consideration of resolution authorizing application to the State Department of Conservation's Watershed Coordinator Grant Program to fund a Ballona Creek watershed coordinator position on behalf of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission.
- X. Consideration of resolution authorizing the acquisition of approximately 455 acres (APNs 3210-014-025, 027, 028, 3210-019-006, and 007) including the promissory note and deed of trust using funds from the Fair Oaks-Mitigation fund and authorizing the acceptance of public and private funds to complete the acquisition, Santa Clara River Watershed, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
- XI. Minutes.
- XII. Statements, questions, and directions to staff pursuant to Government Code § 54954.2(a).
- XIII. Closed Session

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Government Code §§ 54956.8 and 54956.9. Confidential memoranda related to these items may be considered during such closed session discussions. Conference with legal counsel. Number of cases: 5. (1) *City of Malibu v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy*; (2) *Bad Tax v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*; (3) *In re Ritter Ranch Development, LLC.*; (4) *Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. Soka University of America, and related cross-complaint: Soka University of America v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, and* (5) *Fuller v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.*

- XIV. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

Public comment is welcome on any agenda item; the period between 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. has been set aside for public comment on all agenda items and on matters not on the agenda. During the meeting the Governing Board may hold a closed session on any item pursuant to Government Code §§ 54956.8 and 54956.9. Unless otherwise ordered, individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives of organizations/agencies will be given five minutes. For further information on any agenda item please contact Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer, at (310) 589-3230, extension 112.

Note: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability-related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call Board Secretary at 310-589-3230, extension 118, at least 10 hours prior to the meeting.

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ADDENDUM

- X(a). Consideration of resolution finding that prior to undertaking the Adamson acquisition more complete habitat/vegetation information needs to be obtained through cooperative vegetation mapping with the United States National Park Service and requesting redirection a portion of grant SMM-876 #1 for this purpose.
- X(b). Consideration of resolution finding that implementation of the objectives of the Malibu Canyon project described in grant SMM-890 can best be implemented by funding implementation of the Upper Malibu Creek Watershed Project Plan (Ahmanson Ranch Project Plan) including acquisition of adjacent properties – directly or through grants to local agencies -- and requesting approval of such redirection of funds.
- X(c). Consideration of resolution finding that implementation of the Arroyo Seco Project in the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed in grant SMM-911 can best be accomplished by redirection of such funds to assist in the development of an integrated regional water management program in the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed using the cooperative efforts of TreePeople, a tax exempt nonprofit organization, and requesting authorization to redirect such funds for said purpose.